105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2589

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

October 8 (legislative day, October 2), 1998

Mr. Murkowski introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR NON-INTRUSIVE SEISMIC
- 4 TESTING.
- 5 Section 1001 of Title X of the Alaska National Inter-
- 6 est Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3141) is amended
- 7 by inserting at the end:
- 8 "(g) No later than 18 months after the enactment
- 9 of this subsection, the Secretary shall revise the finding

- 1 required by subsection (c)(1) for any of the lands identi-
- 2 fied in subsection (a) for which the United States Geologi-
- 3 cal Survey has, within three years prior to enactment of
- 4 this subsection, assessed the petroleum resources of these
- 5 lands using two-dimensional seismic data that was origi-
- 6 nally collected and analysed more than 10 years prior to
- 7 enactment of this subsection. The Secretary shall reassess
- 8 the in-place petroleum resources of these lands using data
- 9 obtained from three-dimensional seismic exploration to im-
- 10 plement this subsection. Activities carried out in a con-
- 11 servation system unit under this subsection shall be sub-
- 12 ject to other provisions of this Title, including regulations
- 13 promulgated thereunder, applicable to that unit or an area
- 14 within that unit."

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